

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 17, 22, 25, 45, 61 and 68 have been objected to as containing informalities; Claim 19 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over Tsutsui et al. in view of Watanabe et al.; Claims 20 and 21 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over Tsutsui et al. in view of Watanabe et al. and Nelson and Claims 1-18 and 22-83 have been allowed. Claims 1-83 remain active.

Considering first then the rejection of Claims 1, 17, 22, 25, 45, 61 and 68 as being informal, it is to be noted that such claims have now been amended so as to include the corrections suggested by the Examiner. It is also noted in this regard that, regarding Claim 61 reciting the limitation of “the attachment hole” in line 17, antecedent basis for this term can be found in lines 12-13 of Claim 61. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection to the claims is believed to be in order and the same is hereby respectfully requested.

Considering next then the rejection of Claim 19 under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over Tsutsui et al. in view of Watanabe et al. and the rejection of Claims 20 and 21 under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over Tsutsui et al. in view of Watanabe et al. and Nelson, it is to be noted that Claim 19 has now been amended so as to include the allowable language from the last paragraph of Claim 1 which was determined by the Examiner to patentably define over the prior art. Accordingly, it is submitted that Claim 19 as well as all of the claims dependent therefrom now merit indication of allowability with the same being hereby respectfully requested.

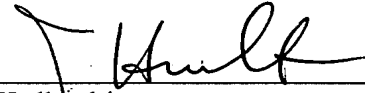
The Examiner’s indication of allowability of Claims 1-18 and 22-83 is hereby acknowledged and is sincerely appreciated. In view of the allowance of these claims and in view of the foregoing arguments in support of the patentability of Claims 19-21, it is

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submitted that all of Claims -83 are now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, an early and favorable Office Action is respectfully requested.

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